From: Mrs Tuula Chidgey
Sent: 11 February 2023 16:24
To: VE.RT
Subject: REF.ALBOX SERVICES LTD/SHOREHAM-BY-SEA REF AWAP/0031/22 (J.JOLLY)

To whom this may concern,

I wish to oppose the current appeal tabled by Albox Services/Shoreham-by-Sea.
Since the appellants plans for the green area in question were refused in June-22 nothing has changed. Except the season.

Hence the area right now may resemble very much how Albox Ltd. wishes it to be considered to be all of the time: "just wasteland/overgrowth of messy shrubs/low grade trees/couple of bats/few slo worm" etc.

This couldn't be further from the truth,at different times of the year this green area is a lush green copse, a home to many naturally occurring flora and fauna.

There are bats,foxes,small mammals,slo worm,hedgehogs,insects,birds,maybe badgers, who are not "grading" their habitat and are happily co existing next to us.

Albox Limited states that this area is not a "formal" protected area for wildlife..no it isn't,that would be a zoo.

Wildlife here occurs naturally and it is our duty as their neighbours that this small green corridor is not being razed to the ground.

It's wrong to claim the government puts the need for development before the protection of the few green areas still remaining in built up towns.

The company is also up-playing the importance of adding more units to the local area.There are many storage companies offering storage within a fairly small distance. Being of a "self-serve" type I fail to see where the new jobs to the local area will come from either.

Aside the devastating effect on the wild life it appears Albox has misunderstood the previous concerns of flooding completely. They state that it's okay, their units will be raised from the ground..

The increased flood risk is to the neighbouring gardens and Gordon Road itself when huge clumps of earth are removed.This currently soaks up a lot of surface water,it's doing it's job.

I personally cannot find in their appeal documents (there's a lot of it..) if the previously raised fire hydrant issue has been addressed.Closest fire hydrant being too far from the proposed units.

What I can find is many statements over their opening hours/being very quiet/will not cause disturbance to residents etc.The floodlights will be completely switched off half an hour from closing, "same as they are now". I beg to differ, the lights stay on all night now.

Goodness knows how many more they are intending to install.

Hope you can see how important it is that this piece of land is allowed to stay undeveloped and to keep attracting the birds and the bees and all their friends.

Kind Regards, Tuula Chidgey (Mrs)
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